



PROGRAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER

IN ACCORDANCE WITH DEPARTMENT of DEFENSE DIRECTIVE 5000.2

and

MY APPOINTMENT, BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY,

as the

ARMY ACQUISITION EXECUTIVE

I hereby designate

Dr. James T. Blake

as the Program Executive Officer for

Simulation, Training, and Instrumentation

As the Program Executive Officer, you will utilize the System of Systems concept to ensure integration and interoperability are achieved across U.S. Army and Joint or Joint-related programs to support a full-spectrum force.

You will, as the responsible management official, provide overall direction and guidance for the development, acquisition, testing, product improvement and fielding while ensuring total ownership cost reduction. You will establish processes that facilitate communication, cooperation, information exchange and collective decision-making between and among organizations.

You will maintain a balanced U.S. Army and Joint perspective in managing your programs and will report directly to me. You will keep the leadership fully informed of program status and report any matters that could affect the U.S. Army's ultimate commitment to the program. Your responsibilities include planning and executing the transition of programs and systems when appropriate.

You will place primary management emphasis and oversight on balancing cost, schedule, performance and supportability while capitalizing on acquisition reform initiatives. You will also ensure compliance with applicable national policies to include environmental protection and socio-economic programs.

You will lead and directly control assigned program managers. You will actively pursue acquisition workforce career development and competency standards. You will also serve as an advocate to ensure the necessary force structure is in place to support acquisition career development programs.

You will advance Department of Defense and U.S. Army efforts to create interoperable Live, Virtual, Constructive solutions to enhance training and testing capabilities. You will also as a Center of Acquisition Excellence support our Warfighters and other PEOs with training and testing enablers across the Department of Defense and U.S. Army.

You are hereby designated full-line authority as the Program Executive Officer in the management of assigned programs. Unless rescinded, this designation will remain in effect until your reassignment.

Claude M. Bolton
Army Acquisition Executive